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10. HIS CENTER ALSO HAD HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAMS IN ALMOST EVERY COUNTRY IN THE WORLD, INCLUDING IN THE UNITED STATES, WHICH HAD VERY SERIOUS HUMAN RIGHTS PROBLEMS. FINALLY, ONE OF THE CENTER'S MAIN EFFORTS WAS AIMED AT PREVENTING AND ENDING OF CONFLICTS, DISPUTES AND WARS. IT MONITORED ALL CONFLICTS IN THE WORLD, OF WHICH THERE WERE 113 AT THE BEGINNING OF APRIL. THIS NUMBER INCLUDED 32 MAJOR WARS INTERNATIONALLY, NONE BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES. THEY WERE ALL CIVIL WARS, WITH VERY FEW EXCEPTIONS.

11. THIS PRECLUDED THE UNITED NATIONS FROM BECOMING INVOLVED, BECAUSE THE UN COULD NOT EVEN COMMUNICATE WITH REVOLUTIONARIES TRYING TO OVERTHROW GOVERNMENTS. THE CARTER CENTER HAD PUT TOGETHER A GLOBAL CAPABILITY TO DEAL WITH THESE PROBLEMS.
PRESIDENT CARTER ON TIANANMEN AND ITS AFTERMATH

12. THERE WAS ONE LAST TOPIC, WHICH PRESIDENT CARTER HAD EARLIER RAISED WITH FM QIANG. AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN, HE WAS DISTRESSED AT THE ESTRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA AS A RESULT OF THE TIANANMEN INCIDENT IN 1989. THIS WAS A QUESTION THAT WOULD NOT GO AWAY. THE CONCERN OF CHINESE STUDENTS IN AMERICA HAD NOT BEEN ALLEVIATED, KEEPING THIS QUESTION IN THE FOREFRONT OF CONGRESS AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. THESE STUDENTS WERE LOYAL TO THEIR COUNTRY AND WANTED TO FEEL FREE TO BE ABLE TO COME HOME.

13. HOWEVER, MANY QUESTIONS REMAINED UNANSWERED. THE PRINCIPAL ONE INVOLVED A REMARKABLE DIFFERENCE IN INTERPRETATIONS OF THE JUNE, 1989 EVENT. STRESSING THAT HE HAD NO WAY TO ACCURATELY THE FACTS, PRESIDENT CARTER SAID IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE DISTURBANCES IN THE SQUARE SEVERAL HUNDRED, PERHAPS IN EXCESS OF ONE THOUSAND PERSONS HAD BEEN KILLED. SOME 1600 WORKERS AND STUDENTS HAD BEEN TRIED, CONVICTED AND SENT TO PRISON. SEVERAL THOUSAND

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THEM PERSONALLY AS OFTEN AS HE COULD WHEN HE VISITED AMERICAN COLLEGES. HE HAD PROPOSED THIS EXCHANGE

PROGRAM TO DENG XIAOPING IN 1979; SUBSEQUENTLY SOME SIXTY THOUSAND CHINESE HAD COME TO THE U.S. TO STUDY. THIS WAS VERY BENEFICIAL TO THE U.S., GIVING U.S. PROFESSORS AND STUDENTS A CHANCE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT CHINA.

7. THE U.S. AND CHINA HAD ALSO BEEN ABLE TO COOPERATE ON A NUMBER OF SENSITIVE MATTERS, SUCH AS KAMPUCHEA, THE SOVIET WITHDRAWAL FROM AFGHANISTAN AND FREE TRADE. ALL OF THIS WAS OF GREAT BENEFIT TO BOTH SIDES.

PRESIDENT CARTER DESCRIBES CARTER CENTER'S WORK

8. EMPHASIZING THAT HE WAS NOW A PRIVATE CITIZEN WITH NO FORMAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, PRESIDENT CARTER DESCRIBED HIS CURRENT WORK. HE HAD BEEN TEACHING FOR NINE YEARS AT EMOY UNIVERSITY. BUT HIS GREATEST EFFORTS WERE EXPENDED AT THE CARTER CENTER, A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION DEALING PRIMARILY WITH INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. THERE WERE 26 INTERNATIONAL HEALTH PROGRAMS AT THE CENTER, ONE OF WHICH HAD BROUGHT HIM TO CHINA ON THE CURRENT VISIT.

9. HIS CENTER HAD HELPED TO TRAIN MORE THAN 300 CHINESE TEACHERS TO WORK WITH HANDICAPPED PEOPLE. THAT MORNING, ALONG WITH DENG PUFANG, HE HAD DEDICATED A NEW FACTORY WHICH WOULD PERMIT THE CHINESE TO MASS PRODUCE ARTIFICIAL ARMS AND LEGS OF THE HIGHEST TECHNICAL QUALITY. THE CARTER CENTER HAD PROGRAMS AIMED AT ALLEVIATING SUFFERING IN AFRICA AND ASIA. FOR EXAMPLE, IN AFRICA OVER THE PAST TWENTY YEARS EVERY YEAR THE PER CAPITA FOOD GRAIN PRODUCTION HAD DECLINED. OVER

200,000 AFRICAN FAMILIES WORKED WITH THE CARTER CENTER ON FOOD PRODUCTION.

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MORE HAD BEEN SENT TO REEDUCATION CAMPS.

14. THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT, OF COURSE, HAD EXPLAINED

THAT THIS WAS A NECESSARY ACTION, STRESSING THAT VERY FEW WERE KILLED OR IMPRISONED. TO REITERATE, HE HAD NO WAY OF KNOWING THE FACTS. BUT AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN, HE SUGGESTED THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT SHOULD SAY THAT IT HAD RESTORED ORDER AND PUT THIS MATTER BEHIND IT. TOWARD THAT END, IT COULD NOTE THAT THE MOTIVATIONS OF THE INVOLVED CHINESE STUDENTS HAD BEEN GOOD AND JUSTIFIED. IT COULD ALSO BE GENEROUS. ONE HELPFUL STEP WOULD BE TO DECLARE A GENERAL AMNESTY, A COMMUTATION OF SENTENCES. THIS WOULD BRING GREAT RELIEF TO CHINESE STUDENTS AND OTHER CONCERNED PEOPLE. THIS WAS JUST HIS SUGGESTION, AS A FRIEND.

JIANG ZEMIN'S RESPONSE: JUNE 4

15. JIANG ZEMIN WANTED TO BEGIN BY RESPONDING TO PRESIDENT CARTER'S CONCERN ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS, ABOUT JUNE FOURTH. JIANG FELT THIS EVENT WAS BEING GRADUALLY PUT BEHIND THEM, THAT IT WAS NO LONGER A CONCERN TO THE CHINESE PEOPLE. SOON AFTER JUNE 4, HE HAD MET WITH A NUMBER OF FOREIGN LEADERS AND HAD TALKED ABOUT THIS. WITH THEM IT WAS NATURAL FOR DIFFERENT COUNTRIES TO HAVE DIFFERENT VALUES AND PERCEPTIONS. BUT, HE CLAIMED, THE REALITY OF THAT OCCASION HAD BEEN DISTORTED.

16. JIANG HAD MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF AMERICAN TELEVISION AFTER JUNE 4. THE CURRENTLY FASHIONABLE NOTION, JIANG OBSERVED, WAS THAT TELEVISION HAD SHRUNK THE WORLD. WITH MAJOR GLOBAL EVENTS NOW TELEVIZED, ALL COULD JUDGE THEM BASED ON THEIR OWN VALUES. HE WAS VERY OPENMINDED ABOUT THIS. ALL JIANG HAD ASKED OF

THESE REPORTERS WAS THAT TELEVISION REPORT THE FACTS. IT WAS ONLY NATURAL, HE REPEATED, FOR DIFFERENT PEOPLE TO HAVE DIFFERENT VIEWS BASED ON THEIR DIFFERENT

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17. UNFORTUNATELY, JIANG CONCLUDED, TELEVISION COULD NOT PRESENT A NATURAL IMAGE. IT REQUIRES A CAMERAMAN TO TAKE PICTURES AND A REPORTER TO PREPARE HIS REPORT. THEY SUPPLIED THEIR OWN COMMENT. SO THISFFECTED THE REPORT. JIANG WANTED TO GIVE AN EXAMPLE OF THIS. PRESIDENT CARTER HAD SAID ONE THOUSAND PEOPLE HAD BEEN KILLED IN JUNE, 1989. THERE WERE ALSO OTHER ALLEGATIONS THAT MANY HAD DIED IN A MASSIVE BLOODLETTING.

18. JIANG SAID HE HAD TOLD BARBARA WALTERS IN THEIR TELEVIZED INTERVIEW LAST YEAR THAT JUST 200 HAD DIED. HE HAD ALSO NOTED THAT 110 TANKS AND MILITARY TRANSPORT VEHICLES HAD BEEN BURNED. WHY? BECAUSE CHINESE TROOPS EXERCISED MAXIMUM RESTRAINT. THEIR EFFORTS WERE DIRECTED NOT AGAINST YOUNG STUDENTS, BUT AGAINST "WHAT YOU WOULD CALL THE 'BREDS OF SOCIETY.'"

19. AT THAT POINT IN THE INTERVIEW BARBARA WALTERS HAD PULLED OUT THE PICTURE OF THE YOUNG MAN IN FRONT OF THE TANKS. SHE INDICATED SHE WAS CERTAIN OF THE MAN'S IDENTITY. HE WAS WANG WEILIN, ACCORDING TO WALTERS. SHE TOLD JIANG THIS PERSON HAD ALREADY BEEN KILLED. JIANG, WHO VIEWED HIMSELF AS A PRAGMATIC MAN, SIMPLY REPLIED "NO - NEVER." WALTERS THEN ASKED IF THE YOUNG MAN HAD BEEN IMPRISONED AND JIANG REPLIED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW. AFTERWARDS HE HAD LOOKED INTO THE MATTER

WITH THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SECURITY, WHICH HAD COMPUTERIZED RECORDS. THEY TOLD JIANG THEY COULD NOT FIND THE MAN. JIANG PASSED THIS ON TO WALTERS AND SAW IT CARRIED ON ABC NEWS.



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B1 [REDACTED] END NOTE] AT THE PRESENT TIME, CHINA WAS IN DIRE NEED OF A PEACEFUL ENVIRONMENT SO IT COULD DEVELOP ITS ECONOMY.

JIANG ON U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS

21. AS A PRELUDE TO SHIFTING THE CONVERSATION TO BILATERAL RELATIONS, JIANG NOTED IN PASSING THAT ALL THE CHINESE DELEGATE, IN THE FRONT ROW AT THIS MEETING -- MODESTLY EXCLUDING HIMSELF -- SPOKE EXCELLENT ENGLISH, INCLUDING HIS FELLOW SHANGHAINESE QIANG. HE THEN OBSERVED THAT U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS HAD BEEN DEVELOPING STEP BY STEP SINCE 1972. WHILE PRESIDENT CARTER HAD BEEN IN OFFICE THE TWO SIDES HAD FORMALLY ESTABLISHED RELATIONS. IF HIS MEMORY SERVED HIM RIGHT, IT WAS ALSO DURING THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION THAT AGREEMENT HAD BEEN REACHED ON MOST FAVORED NATION TRADE STATUS. IT WAS ALSO AS A RESULT OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S TALKS WITH DENG XIAOPING THAT STUDENT EXCHANGES HAD BEGUN.

JIANG ON CHINESE VIEW OF HUMAN RIGHTS

22. JIANG HAD A CLEAR AND VIVID MEMORY OF ALL THAT PRESIDENT CARTER HAD DONE TO PROMOTE U.S.-CHINESE FRIENDSHIP. AGAIN DIGRESSING, JIANG SAID HE AND HIS COLLEAGUES HAD EXPERIENCED THE TRANSITION FROM OLD SOCIETY, HAD ENDURED CHINA'S INTERNAL STRIFE, THE WAR AGAINST THE JAPANESE AND THE CIVIL WAR WHICH RESULTED IN THE FOUNDRING OF THE PRC IN 1949. WHY WAS HE LOOKING BACK AT HISTORY? PRESIDENT CARTER HAD RAISED THE QUESTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. FROM THE CHINESE PERSPECTIVE, THE PARAMOUNT HUMAN RIGHT WAS THAT OF SUBSISTENCE.

23. BASED ON THE JULY, 1980 CENSUS, CHINA NOW HAD A POPULATION OF 1.13362501 BILLION (SIC). THE AMBASSADOR ALSO KNEW THIS NUMBER. JIANG HAD FORMERLY

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BEEN AN ENGINEER AND HE CLAIMED TO HAVE A GOOD FACILITY FOR NUMBERS. HE HAS LEARNED THAT CHINA'S POPULATION HAD ALREADY GROWN TO 1.14 BILLION. EVERY YEAR, EVEN WITH STRICT MEASURES IN BIRTH CONTROL, 14-15 MILLION PEOPLE WOULD BE ADDED TO CHINA'S POPULATION. JIANG WAS PROUD TO SAY THAT CHINA HAD MADE A UNIQUE ACHIEVEMENT IN ESTABLISHING THE BASIC REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSISTENCE (WEIHAO) FOR ITS 1.14 BILLION PEOPLE.

24. JIANG HAD TRAVELED TO NEARLY 20 OF CHINA'S 30 PROVINCES AND AUTONOMOUS REGIONS. HE HAS SEEN THE DRAMATIC CHANGES THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN CHINA FIRSTHAND. THIS WAS A WORLD THAT WAS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM THAT OF THE OLD SOCIETY. TO MAKE THIS IMAGE MORE VIVID TO HIS VISITOR, JIANG WANTED TO RECITE A FEW LINES FROM AN OLD SONG WHICH HE HAD SEEN IN A FILM IN 1936. THIS WAS A GRADUATION SONG, WHICH HE AND HIS CLASSMATES HAD SUNG AT THEIR MIDDLE SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY GRADUATIONS.

25. DURING THE JAPANESE OCCUPATION OPIUM AND OTHER DRUGS WERE WIDELY USED, POsing A GREAT THREAT TO THE CHINESE PEOPLE. JUST AS COMMISSIONER LIN ZEXU HAD DONE IN THE 1840'S, JIANG AND HIS CLASSMATES HAD BURNED OPIUM BEFORE SINGING THIS SONG, NOTICING THE BAYONETS OF JAPANESE SOLDIERS OUTSIDE THEIR WINDOWS AS THEY SANG.

-- (SONG EXCERPTS) "CLASSMATES LET US ALL ARISE TO SHOULDER OUR SHARE OF RESPONSIBILITY, TO FIGHT FOR THE RISE OR FALL OF OUR COUNTRY. IF YOU LISTEN YOU CAN HEAR THE GRIEVANCES OF THE ORDINARY PEOPLE, YOU CAN SEE CHINA LOSING TERRITORY TO THE AGGRESSORS."

26. SAYING IN ENGLISH THAT THIS WAS ENOUGH TO GIVE PRESIDENT CARTER AN IMAGE OF THE SUFFERING CHINA ONCE ENDURED, JIANG NOTED THAT THERE WERE NO FUNDAMENTAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BETWEEN THE U.S. AND CHINA. SO THERE WAS NO REASON THE TWO SIDES COULD NOT CONTINUE TO

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METHODS FOR CONNECTING THE LINES WERE NOT ALWAYS THE
SAME, BUT THE RESULTS ALWAYS WERE.

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JIANG ON TIBET - SEEING IS BELIEVING

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30. SOCIAL SCIENTISTS WERE USUALLY PRAGMATIC AND DOWN
TO EARTH. AS THE CHINESE SAYING GOES, SEEING IS
BELIEVING. THUS JIANG BELIEVED THAT PRESIDENT CARTER
WOULD SEE. PRESIDENT CARTER HAD BEEN TO TIBET IN
1977. JIANG HIMSELF WENT THERE LAST JULY. HIS TRIP
WAS MORE DIFFICULT THAN PRESIDENT CARTER'S HAD BEEN.
IN LHASA HE HAD SEEN MANY ELDERLY FOREIGNERS, PROBABLY
EUROPEANS OR AMERICANS. THEY HAD EXPERIENCED NO
PROBLEMS. BUT JIANG HAD SUFFERED FROM LACK OF OXYGEN.

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RESTORE AND FURTHER DEVELOP THEIR RELATIONS.

31. JIANG'S IMPRESSIONS WERE QUITE DIFFERENT THAN
THOSE IN WESTERN "PROPAGANDA" ON TIBET. HE BELIEVED IT
WOULD BE HELPFUL TO GIVE FOREIGNERS A VIDEOTAPE OF
TIBET, PAST AND PRESENT, WITH ENGLISH NARRATION.
PRESIDENT CARTER INTERJECTED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE
SUCH A TAPE.

JIANG CRITIQUES DALAI LAMA'S AUTOBIOGRAPHY

32. AT THIS POINT JIANG PRODUCED A COPY OF THE DALAI
LAMA'S RECENT AUTOBIOGRAPHY, "FREEDOM IN EXILE." HE
OFFERED TO SUMMARIZE ITS CONTENTS BRIEFLY TO HIS
GUEST. THE DALAI LAMA, JIANG'S BOOK REPORT IRONICALLY
NOTED, WAS A CHAMPION OF FREEDOM AND HUMAN RIGHTS,
WHILE THE PRC GENERAL SECRETARY AND GESTURING TO QIANG
QIENEN TO HIS LEFT FOREIGN MINISTER WERE "DICTIONARY
TYRANTS."

33. AGAIN DISPLAYING HIS PECHEANT FOR NUMBERS, JIANG
INDICATED THAT THE POPULATION OF TIBET WHEN HE VISITED
WAS 2.2 MILLION, OF WHICH 2.15 MILLION WERE ETHNIC

JIANG ON CHINESE OVERSEAS STUDENTS

27. JIANG THEN POINTED TO A SECOND FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN
RIGHTS OBLIGATION: THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT. RAPID
DEVELOPMENT WAS THE ASPIRATION OF EVERY CHINESE. JIANG
WANTED TO MAKE ONE POINT CLEAR. AFTER JUNE 4 HE HAD
VISITED QINGHUA UNIVERSITY AND THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS
UNIVERSITY. HE HAD TOLD THE STUDENTS THERE GOVERNMENT
POLICY TOWARD OVERSEAS STUDENTS WAS TO LET BYGONES BE
BYGONES, TO FORGET PAST ACTIONS WHICH WERE THE RESULT
OF MISUNDERSTANDINGS. EVEN THOSE STUDENTS WHO HAD
TAKEN ACTIONS ADVOCATING THE OVERTHROW OF THE
GOVERNMENT WERE INCLUDED. SO LONG AS THEY WERE
REPENTANT, ALL WOULD BE WELCOMED BACK.

28. EVERY YEAR, JIANG CONTINUED, MANY STUDENTS
RETURNED HOME TO CHINA FROM THEIR OVERSEAS STUDIES.
ZHANG YIJUN NOTED THAT IN 1980 2000 STUDENTS RETURNED
TO WORK AND ANOTHER 3000 TO SEE THEIR FAMILIES. AGAIN
RECITING CLASSICAL POETRY, JIANG NOTED THAT IT MATTERED
NOT WHETHER YOUR HOME ABROAD WAS MADE OF GOLD OR
SILVER, A POOR HOME IN THE MOTHERLAND WAS STILL THE
BEST. A DAY SPENT AT HOME WAS WORTH A THOUSAND DAYS
SPENT AWAY. AFTER THE POEM WAS TRANSLATED, JIANG TOLD
PRESIDENT CARTER CONTACTS BETWEEN CHINA AND THE U.S.
SHOULD BE INCREASED. AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WOULD REDUCE
MISUNDERSTANDINGS AND LEAD TO RESTORATION AND
DEVELOPMENT OF BILATERAL RELATIONS.

29. BOTH HE AND PRESIDENT CARTER WERE ENGINEERS, JIANG
CONTINUED. BUT IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES MOST PEOPLE
ANALYZE SOCIAL MODELS. THERE WAS NO SINGLE SET OF

SOCIAL VALUES IN THE WORLD, JIANG OBSERVED. THAT WOULD
BE TOO MONOLOGOUS. WHEN HE WAS IN UNIVERSITY THEY USED
TO DO ELECTRICAL MACHINE TESTS IN THE LABORATORY. THE

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HAD NO INTENTION OF IMPOSING HIS VIEWS ON OTHERS, BUT
SOUGHT TO PROMOTE MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

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PRESIDENT CARTER REITERATES SAME FOURTH CONCERN

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37. PRESIDENT CARTER THANKED JIANG FOR HIS VERY
HELPFUL PRESENTATION. HE NOTED THAT JIANG HAD A SON
STUDYING IN THE U.S. AT DREXEL UNIVERSITY. JIANG
INTERJECTED THAT HIS SON WAS FINISHING A PHD IN
MATERIAL SCIENCE. HIS SON WOULD BE "BETTER THAN ME,"
JIANG QUIPPED, ONCE HE HAD HIS PHD. AGAIN PRESSING THE
HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE, PRESIDENT CARTER INDICATED IF HE
TOLD CHINESE STUDENTS IN THE U.S. THEY NEEDED TO REPENT
THIS NIGHT COULD THE FALSE SENSE THAT THEY WERE GUILTY
OF SOMETHING. HE REPEATED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW WHAT
HAD HAPPENED, AND HE DID NOT CARE. THE FUTURE WAS WHAT
WAS IMPORTANT.
JIANG ON CHINESE YOUTH TODAY

38. JIANG JUMPED IN TO NOTE THERE WAS A
MISUNDERSTANDING ON THIS. PERHAPS 95% OF THE STUDENTS
WERE NO PROBLEM. THEY COULD COME BACK AND WOULD BE
WELCOMED. SPEAKING MORE BROADLY, JIANG OPINED THAT
CHINESE YOUNG PEOPLE (1) DID NOT UNDERSTAND CHINESE
HISTORY AND (2) INCORRECTLY BELIEVED THAT ONE COULD
LIVE COMFORTABLY IN THE WEST WITHOUT HAVING TO WORK
VERY HARD. THEREFORE JIANG THOUGHT IT WOULD BE GOOD
FOR THEM TO GO ABOARD AND SEE THE REAL SITUATION.

39. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF TOO MANY PEOPLE WENT TO THE
U.S. PERHAPS IT WOULD BECOME DIFFICULT FOR AMERICA TO
BEAR. IF TEN PERCENT OF CHINA'S POPULATION TRIED TO
GO, THAT WOULD BE 148 MILLION, AND OBVIOUSLY FAR TOO
MANY. IT WAS ALREADY DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN A VISA TO GO
TO THE U.S., JIANG QUIPPED, LIGHTLY POKING FUN AT
AMBASSADOR LILLEY. VISA PROCEDURES WERE VERY STRICT,
WITH MANY RULES AND QUALIFICATIONS. FOR EXAMPLE, TO
RECEIVE A U.S. VISA AN APPLICANT HAD TO INDICATE HE HAD

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TIBETANS, 9% OF THE TOTAL POPULATION. IF ONE INCLUDED
THE TIBETAN AUTONOMOUS PREFECTURES IN SICHUAN, QINGHAI,

YUNNAN AND GANSU, THERE WAS A TOTAL POPULATION OF 3.8
MILLION THERE, INCLUDING HAN. OF THIS LAST NUMBER,
2.4 MILLION WERE TIBETANS, I.E. RESIDING OUTSIDE THE
TIBET AUTONOMOUS REGION. THIS LEFT 1.4 MILLION HAN.
SO, JIANG CONTINUED, THE TOTAL TIBETAN POPULATION IN
TIBET AND THESE OTHER AUTONOMOUS REGIONS WAS 4.51
MILLION. (JIANG CORRECTED THE INTERPRETER TWICE AS HE
WAS RECITING THESE FIGURES.) ACCORDING TO JIANG, THE
HAN POPULATION IN ALL THESE REGIONS WAS 1.51 MILLION.

34. SWITCHING TO ENGLISH, JIANG CONCLUDED THAT THE
DALAI LAMA'S CLAIM THAT THERE WERE SIX MILLION HAN
LIVING IN TIBET WAS "A MISTAKE." WITH SOME PRIDE,
JIANG CLAIMED TO HAVE MADE THESE CALCULATIONS HIMSELF,
USING GEOGRAPHY TEXTS. HE WAS WILLING TO TAKE
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE NUMBERS. ALL THIS SHOVED THAT
IT WAS IMPORTANT TO "SEEK TRUTH FROM FACTS" IN
APPROACHING SUCH MATTERS.

JIANG: CHINA HAS BEEN GOOD TO TIBET

35. EVERY YEAR THE PRC GRANTED LARGE SUBSIDIES TO THE
TIBET REGION, JIANG ADDED. TIBET WAS MAKING ECONOMIC
PROGRESS. WHEN HE HAD BEEN MAYOR OF SHANGHAI, JIANG
RECALLED, A GROUP OF COASTAL WORKERS, INCLUDING SOME
FROM SHANGHAI, HAD BEEN SENT TO TIBET ON THE OCCASION
OF AN ANNIVERSARY OF THE "PEACEFUL LIBERATION" OF THE
AREA TO ASSIST IN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. AFTERWARDS, A
NUMBER OF SHANGHAI WORKERS SUFFERED RESPIRATORY
DISEASES, AND SOME DIED. (NOTE: THIS POINT PRESUMABLY
WAS MEANT TO underscore HAN SACRIFICES FOR TIBET.)

36. SOMEWHAT ABRUPTLY CONCLUDING HIS LENGTHY
PRESENTATION, JIANG THANKED PRESIDENT CARTER FOR HIS
CAREFUL ATTENTION. CHINA ALSO NEEDED DEMOCRACY. IT

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JIANG GETS IN ONE LAST SHANGHAI ANECDOTE

40. JIANG HAD DEALT WITH THE PROBLEM OF STUDENTS GOING TO JAPAN FROM SHANGHAI WHEN HE WAS MAYOR THERE. THE WORD WENT OUT THAT THERE WAS A SHORTAGE OF LABOR IN JAPAN. ACCORDING TO JIANG, SOME 30,000 STUDENTS WERE ENROLLED OUT OF SHANGHAI ALONE. THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT COULD NOT BEAR THIS. SO THEY STOPPED ISSUING VISAS. HOWEVER, MANY WOULD-BE STUDENTS HAD ALREADY MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO GO, TRANSFERRING THEIR APARTMENTS. SELLING THEIR TELEVISIONS AND FURNITURE. MANY NATURALLY DISTRAUGHT STUDENTS RAN TO THE JAPANESE CONSULATE IN SHANGHAI EVERY DAY TO PROTEST.

41. JIANG ENDED THIS ANECDOTE BY SAYING HE HAD WORKED VERY HARD TO TRY TO SOLVE THIS PROBLEM AS MAYOR. HE CONCLUDED BY DRAWING FROM THIS TALE THE LESSON THAT THERE WAS NO ABSTRACT AND ABSOLUTE CONCEPT OF HUMAN RIGHTS. HUMAN RIGHTS WERE RELATIVE.

42. THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 5:15 PM, WITH JIANG LEADING PRESIDENT CARTER AND HIS PARTY ON A BRIEF TOUR OF THE GARDEN OUTSIDE THE ZHONGNANHAI VILLA WHERE THE MEETING HAD TAKEN PLACE.

43. A COPY OF THIS MESSAGE WAS PROVIDED TO FORMER PRESIDENT CARTER'S PARTY. HE DID NOT CLEAR THE TEXT. LILLEY

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